

Aros House
145 West Kennedy Street
Barrio Libre (Barrio Histórico)
Tucson
Pima County
Arizona

HABS No. AZ-73-2

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HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY

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Location: 145 West Kennedy Street, Tucson, Pima County, Arizona

USGS Tucson Quadrangle: Universal Transverse
Mercator Coordinates: 12.502680 .3563970

Present Owners
and Occupants: Artemisia Dalton and Julia Peralta.

Significance: This adobe house has been altered from its original Sonoran plan to coincide more closely with later Anglo design standards. The structure has the traditional Sonoran sloping roof, but has been structurally modified in the front to form an L with an attached front porch. The house is set flush with the street, but is not contiguous to any other structures.

PART I. HISTORICAL INFORMATION

A. Physical History:

1. Date of erection: 1910-1914.
2. Architect: none known.
3. Original and subsequent owners: See chain of title below:

Block 236, Lot 5, arb. 27.

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| 1901 | Deed, March 18, 1901, recorded in Volume 32, page 4.
Aros et al to Brigida H. de Terrazas. |
| 1918 | Deed, May 25, 1918, recorded in Volume 67, page 183.
Guadalupe Terrazas to Antonio Terrazas (south west). |
| 1918 | Deed, May 1918, recorded in Volume 67, page 183.
Guadalupe Terrazas to Angelita Bernal (south east). |
| 1923 | Deed, October 16, 1923, recorded in Volume 96, page 34.
Angela C. de Aros to José M. Aros. |
| 1925 | Deed, September 26, 1925, recorded in Volume 106, page 48.
Antonio Terrazas to Mary F. Calles (south west). |
| 1925 | Deed, October 1, 1925, recorded in Volume 106, page 67.
Mary F. Calles to José María Aros (south west). |

- 1927 Deed, September 30, 1927, recorded in Volume 119, page 148. Angelita Bernal to Guadalupe Terrazas (south east).
- 1927 Deed, September 30, 1927, recorded in Volume 119, page 149. Guadalupe Terrazas to José María Aros (south east).
- 1963 Deed, April 25, 1963, recorded in Volume 2090, page 447. M. King to R. C. Aros.
- 1969 Deed, April 21, 1969, recorded in Volume 3478, page 486. López to Dalton et al.
- 1971 Deed, December 16, 1971, recorded in Volume 4144, page 638. Estate of Guadalupe A. López to Artemisia Dalton.

- 4. Builder: Probably a member of the Aroz family.
- 5. Alterations and additions: A frame porch was extended over the L in the front of the house in 1914-1919. During the 1960s the house was divided into two apartments.

R. Historical Persons and Events Connected with the Structure:

The builder of this house was probably a member of the Aros family who lived on S. Convent Avenue between W. Simpson and W. Kennedy Streets. Ownership of the property alternated between the Aros and Terrazas families, who were related by marriage, until the 1960s. The Terrazas lived next door, on the northwest corner of S. Convent Avenue and W. Kennedy Street. Mary Aros Bonn and her husband, Sylvester, were the first occupants of the house. Sylvester Bonn was the proprietor of a butcher shop at 270 S. Meyer Avenue. Bonn died before 1917, and his wife Mary remained in the house until the 1920s, with Charles and Eulalia Bonn (probably children). Three or four different families occupied the home until 1940. From 1940 until the 1960s Mrs. Guadalupe López resided at this dwelling.

PART II. ARCHITECTURAL INFORMATION

[For architectural information see Significance; Section B above; and page 9, of the historical essay for Barrio Libre (Barrio Histórico) AZ-73.]

PART III. SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Tract Books, Pioneer National Title Insurance Company. (Microfilm, Recorder's Tucson City Directories, 1897-1979. Records.)
Sanborn Fire Insurance Company maps, 1909, 1914, 1919, 1948.

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